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TO AMEMBASSY PARIS IMMEDIATE  
INFO AMEMBASSY TEHRAN IMMEDIATE  
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C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 180332

FOR POL COUNS ZIMMERMAN

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OTRA, ENRG, IR

SUBJECT: SUGGESTED VISIT TO TEHRAN

ZIMMERMAN PLEASE PASS UNDER SECRETARY COOPER FROM  
CRAWFORD, NEA ACTING

1. AS HAL SAUNDERS MENTIONED TO YOU LAST WEEK, WE THINK IT  
WOULD BE VERY USEFUL IF YOU COULD VISIT TEHRAN FOLLOWING  
YOUR STOP IN JIDDA TO BRIEF KEY IRANIAN OFFICIALS ON THE  
ECONOMIC SUMMIT. FIRST, OVER A NUMBER OF YEARS, WE HAVE  
FOLLOWED THE PRACTICE OF KEEPING GOI FULLY INFORMED ON  
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SIGNIFICANT INTERNATIONAL EVENTS IN WHICH THE US IS A PAR-  
TICIPANT. THESE CONFIDENCES HAVE CONTRIBUTED IN AN IMPOR-  
TANT WAY TO THE STRENGTHENING OF OUR OVERALL RELATIONSHIP.

2. SECONDLY, IN ANTICIPATION OF DISCUSSIONS LATER THIS  
YEAR ON OIL PRICES, WE BELIEVE IT IMPORTANT TO ASSURE THAT  
THE GOI HAS THE BEST POSSIBLE INFORMATION ON THE STATE OF

THE WORLD ECONOMY AS THEY BEGIN TO FORMULATE THEIR THINKING ON OIL PRICES. A VISIT BY YOU COULD INITIATE THIS DIALOGUE, ENABLING US TO BUILD ON IT IN OTHER MEETINGS IN THE MONTHS AHEAD.

3. IF YOUR SCHEDULE WILL PERMIT A STOP IN TEHRAN ON SUNDAY OR MONDAY BEFORE RETURNING TO THE US FROM JIDDA, COULD YOU PLEASE LET EMBASSY TEHRAN KNOW IN ORDER THAT THEY MIGHT EXPLORE THE AVAILABILITY OF KEY IRANIANS FOR MEETINGS WITH YOU ON THOSE DATES.

4. WE UNDERSTAND THAT YOU HAD PREVIOUSLY DECIDED, ON BASIS OF SAUNDERS' JULY 10 MEMO, TO VISIT IRAN IN NOVEMBER. HOWEVER, GIVEN PROXIMITY OF THAT DATE TO DECEMBER OPEC MEETINGS, WE FEEL A VISIT AT THIS TIME WOULD BE PREFERABLE IN LIGHT OF GOI'S EVOLVING STANCE ON OIL PRICES. CHRISTOPHER

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